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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 USC 371

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Responsive to the notification dated July 5, 2006, and in accordance with the provisions of 35 USC 371, Applicants submit herewith a Rule 63 Declaration and a Supplemental Application Data Sheet.

The required fee was paid at the time of filing the application.

The Rule 63 Declaration being filed herewith is accompanied by an English translation. The translation is accurate (37 CFR 1.69.)

In light of the foregoing, this application is deemed to be in proper condition for examination and such favorable action is earnestly solicited.

Our payment in the amount of \$0.00 is paid herewith by credit card. If any difference exists between the amount due and the amount being paid herewith, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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- English Translation of the IA filed on 02/03/2006
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• Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

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Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.

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